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SUBJECT: MBFR: TEXT OF CORRIGENDUM TO "ALLIANCE APPROACH TO NEGOTIATIONS ON MBFR"

SENIOR POLITICAL COMMITTEE ON OCTOBER 5 REMOVED BRACKETS (EXCEPT AROUND PARA 6) IN ALL FIVE SECTIONS OF PAPER, "ALLIANCE APPROACH TO NEGOTIATIONS ON MBFR" (CM(73)83). THERE FOLLOWS THE FULL TEXT OF THE "CORRIGENDUM" WHICH SENIOR POLADS MADE TO CM(73)83 DURING OCTOBER 5 DISCUSSIONS.

BEGIN TEXT:

PARAGRAPH 6

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REPLACE BY FOLLOWING TEXT:

"6. REDUCTIONS SHOULD BE CONFINED GEOGRAPHICALLY TO CENTRAL EUROPE.

PLUS EITHER: BEGIN BRACKETS (THE GEOGRAPHICAL APPLICATION OF OTHER MEASURES AGREED IN MBFR NEGOTIATIONS SHOULD DEPEND ON THE NATURE AND CONTENT OF THESE MEASURES.) END BRACKETS

OR: BEGIN BRACKETS (WHILE RELATED MEASURES AGREED IN MBFR NEGOTIATIONS SHOULD FOCUS ON FORCES IN CENTRAL EUROPE, SOME MAY BE DEvised FOR APPLICATION OUTSIDE THE NATO GUIDELINES AREA, BEARING IN MIND PARAGRAPH 17 BELOW.) END BRACKETS

PLUS: THE SECURITY ISSUES ON THE FLANKS, IN THE MEDITERRANEAN AND IN THE BALKANS ARE SIGNIFICANTLY DIFFERENT FROM THOSE IN CENTRAL EUROPE. IT IS THEREFORE IMPORTANT TO AVOID EITHER PROCEDURAL OR SUBSTANTIVE APPROACHES TO MBFR WHICH WOULD OPEN UP THESE OTHER AREAS FOR CONSIDERATION IN REDUCTIONS OR INVOLVE COMMITMENTS TO ADDRESS THESE AREAS AT A SUBSEQUENT STAGE IN THE NEGOTIATIONS."

PARAGRAPH 11, SECOND SENTENCE

DELETE "BEGIN BRACKETS (MANPOWER END BRACKETS" AND REMOVE BRACKETS AROUND "FORCES". INSERT "MANPOWER" BEFORE "CEILING".

PARAGRAPH 23

REPLACE BY FOLLOWING TEXT:

"23. PREREDUCTION STABILIZING MEASURES APPLICABLE IN THE NATO GUIDELINES AREA AIM AT BUILDING CONFIDENCE BY REDUCING THE RISK OF MISUNDERSTANDINGS AND AMBIGUOUS MILITARY ACTIVITY. SUCH CONSTRAINTS SHOULD BE DESIGNED IN SUCH A WAY AS NOT TO GIVE THE SOVIETS THE MEANS FOR INTERFERENCE IN WESTERN EUROPEAN DEFENCE AND FOREIGN POLICIES. THESE CONSTRAINTS WOULD OF NECESSITY BE APPLIED TO SPECIFIC FORCES IN RELATION TO SPECIFIC TERRITORIES; THEIR FORMULATION SHOULD, HOWEVER, SECRET

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BE FOCUSED ON FORCES RATHER THAN ON TERRITORIES(1). THE CONSTRAINTS UNDER CONSIDERATION IN THE ALLIANCE WOULD BE PUT FORWARD, IN THE FIRST INSTANCE, AS APPLYING ONLY IN THE NATO GUIDELINES AREA. SUBJECT TO FURTHER URGENT EXAMINATION IN THE ALLIANCE(2) AND TO THE CONSIDERATIONS SET OUT IN PARAGRAPHS 14 AND 17 ABOVE, THE ALLIES WILL SEEK AGREEMENT PRIOR TO REDUCTIONS ON THE FOLLOWING MEASURES:

(I) PRE-ANNOUNCEMENT OF MOVEMENTS OF US AND SOVIET FORCES INTO THE AREA INCLUDING ROTATIONS;

(II) PRE-ANNOUNCEMENT OF MAJOR EXERCISES BY ALL FORCES IN THE AREA;

(III) LIMITS ON SIZE, LOCATIONS, NUMBER AND DURATION OF
MAJOR EXERCISES BY ALL FORCES IN THE AREA;

(IV) EXCHANGE OF OBSERVERS AT MAJOR EXERCISES BY ALL
FORCES IN THE AREA.

THE MEASURES WILL FOCUS ON ACTIVITIES IN THE NATO GUIDELINES
AREA. THE POSSIBILITY OF APPLYING SUCH MEASURES TO FORCES IN
SPECIFIED AREAS OUTSIDE OF THE NATO GUIDELINES AREA IS HOWEVER
NOT EXCLUDED.

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- (1) THESE CONSIDERATIONS APPLY EQUALLY TO PARAGRAPH 29.
 - (2) THIS SHOULD INCLUDE CONSIDERATION OF PROBLEMS WHICH
COULD ARISE FROM THE APPLICATION OF THE MEASURES SET
OUT IN (II) TO (IV) BELOW TO NATO FORCES OTHER THAN
US FORCES IN THE AREA. ONE DELEGATION HAS EXPRESSED
PARTICULAR RESERVATIONS TO THE MEASURES IN (III) BELOW."

PARAGRAPH 24

DELETE FIRST BRACKETED ALTERNATIVE AND MAINTAIN
SECOND ALTERNATIVE WITHOUT BRACKETS.

ADD AT END OF PARAGRAPH THE FOLLOWING SENTENCE:

"THIS DOES NOT IMPLY THAT THE ALLIES WILL SEEK
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PARITY IN HEAVY WEAPONRY."

PARAGRAPH 25

DELETE "GROUND -BEGIN BRACKETS (MANPOWER- END BRACKETS) -BEGIN
BRACKETS (FORCE) END BRACKETS" TO READ:
"... OVERALL NATO/WP COMMON CEILING ..."

PARAGRAPH 27

REMOVE BRACKETS.

REPLACE FOOTNOTE BY FOLLOWING TEXT:

"(1) MOST DELEGATIONS BELIEVE THAT THE ALLIES
SHOULD SEEK TO LIMIT US WITHDRAWALS TO A
COMBAT CAPABILITY APPROXIMATELY EQUIVALENT
TO TWO BRIGADES; THE UNITED STATES AUTHORITIES
STILL HAVE THIS QUESTION UNDER EXAMINATION."

PARAGRAPH 28

DELETE SUB-PARAGRAPH (III).

HEADING PRECEDING PARAGRAPH 29,

DELETE "TO ACCOMPANY REDUCTIONS"

PARAGRAPH 29

FIRST SENTENCE: INSERT AFTER "MEASURES(2)"

"TO ACCOMPANY REDUCTIONS".

REMOVE BRACKETS AROUND SUB-PARAGRAPHS (II) AND (III).

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PARAGRAPH 30

DELETE " BEGIN BRACKETS (WITH A VIEW TO AGREEMENT) END BRACKETS"
AND REMOVE BRACKETS AROUND "AND AGREED UPON".

INSERT NEW SUB-PARAGRAPH (IV) AS FOLLOWS:

"(IV) PREREDUCTION STABILIZING MEASURES IN THE AREA SOUTH OF THE
50TH PARALLEL, COMPRISING THE SOVIET MILITARY DISTRICTS OF
ODESSA, KIEV AND CARPATHIA AS WELL AS RUMANIA, BULGARIA AND

GREECE. SIMILAR MEASURES COULD BE CONSIDERED
FOR CERTAIN PARTS OF THE LENINGRAD MILITARY
DISTRICT AND FOR NORWEGIAN TERRITORY. THESE
MEASURES WOULD APPLY ONLY TO ETERNAL NATO
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AND WARSAW PACT GROUND FORCES AND TO SOVIET
GROUND FORCES WHICH MAY MOVE INTO THE AFORE-
MENTIONED SOVIET MILITARY DISTRICTS(1).

(1) THE TURKISH DELEGATION RESERVES ITS POSITION."

RE-NUMBER SUB-PARAGRAPH (IV) AS (V).

ADD NEW SUB-PARAGRAPH (VI) AS FOLLOWS:

"(VI) VERIFICATION MEASURES DESIGNED TO ACCOMPANY
STABILIZING MEASURES OF THE KIND SET OUT
ABOVE."

PARAGRAPH 33, (B)

DELETE SENTENCE IN SQUARE BRACKETS.

ADD TO FOOTNOTE (1) SENTENCE AS FOLLOWS:

"THIS WILL INCLUDE EXAMINATION OF PARTICIPATION
OF LIAISON OFFICERS OF THE HOST COUNTRY IN ANY
INSPECTION TEAM."

DELETE SUZWPARGRAPH (C).

PARAGRAPH 34

FIRST SENTENCE: INSERT AFTER WORD "COMMON" THE
WORD "MANPOWER".

DELETE "BEGIN BRACKETS (MANPOWER) END BRACKETS" AND REMOVE BRACKETS
AROUND "FORCES".

FIFTH SENTENCE DELETE WORDS Z
BRACKET(IT IS ANTICIPATED THAT) END

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PLACE "WILL" BY "SHOULD".

VERY LAST SENTENCE TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

"#.... THE OVERALL MBFR GOAL OF A COMMO
MANPOWER CEILING ON NATO AN
D WARSAW PACT GROUND FORCES
IN THE GUIDELINES AREA."

PARAGRAPH 35

REPLACE FIRST SENTENCE BY FOLLOWING TEXT:

"IN SUMMARY, IN THE FIRST PHASE OF MBFR NEGOTIA-
TIONS, THE ALLIES WILL SEEK SOVIET COMMITMENT TO SOVIET
AND US REDUCTIONS OF 15 PER CENT INCLUDING THE REDUCTION OF A
SOVIET TANK ARMY #
MY, A SECOND PHASE OF NEGOTIATIONS AND THE
COMMON CEILING CONCEPT."

PARAGRAPH 36

REPLACE HEADING AND PARAGRAPH BY FOLLOWING TEXT:

"POST-REDUCTION CEILING

36. SUBSEQUENT TO THE SECOND PHASE THE OVERALL COMMON
CEILING SHOULD BE RESPECTED BY EACH SIDE WITH NO SUB-CEILING
OTHER THAN ON THE US AND SOVIET FORCES WITHIN THE COMMON
CEILING."

PARAGRAPH 50

REMOVE BRACKETS AROUND "THE TANK ARMY".

PARAGRAPH 58, (I)(B)

FIRST SENTENCE: REMOVE FIRST SET OF BRACKETS
AND DELETE "ESTABLISHED".

SECOND SENTENCE: READ AS FOLLOWS:
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"..... PLENARY MEETING WHENEVER AN ALLY FOR
OVERRIDING REASONS PROPOSES SUCH A REQUEST IN THE AD HOC
GROUP AND IS NOT ISOLATED."

THIRD SENTENCE: DELETE WHOLE PASSAGE BETWEEN
BRACKETS.

PARAGRAPH 63

DELETE FIRST ALTERNATIVE, MAINTAIN SECOND
ALTERNATIVE WITHOUT BRACKETS.

PARAGRAPH 68, (II)

FIRST SENTENCE: REPLACE "WITHIN THE FRAMEWORK OF
COUNCIL GUIDANCE," BY "SUBJECT TO PARAGRAPHS 63 AND 64 ABOVE,"

REMOVE BRACKETS AROUND "WITH REGARD TO BOTH
SUBSTANTIVE OR PROCEDURAL ISSUES".

THIRD SENTENCE: DELETE " BEGIN BRACKETS (MAY) END BRACKETS",
REMOVE BRACKETS
AROUND "SHOULD".

DELETE "BEGIN BRACKETS (NORMALLY) END BRACKETS", REMOVE BRACKETS
AROUND "AS LONG AS NECESSARY, BUT PREFERABLY".

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